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Digital Teleport, Inc.
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RE: *Petition for Approval of the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Digital Teleport, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.*
Docket No. 03-00407

Dear Mr. Davis:

The above-referenced Petition was filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") for approval on June 24, 2003. The TRA Staff has raised a question concerning whether or not to grant approval of this agreement considering the recent transfer of Digital Teleport's assets to Centurytel Fiber Company II, LLC.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. is not in a position to respond to this concern and views this as a matter Digital Teleport should resolve directly with the TRA Staff.

If you have any questions or if you need additional information please call me at 615/214-6315.

Very truly yours,


Guy M. Hicks

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